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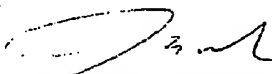
Re: Enclosed § 1.111 Amendment
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/050,165
Our Ref: TAK.037

Dear Examiner Im, Junghwa M.:

Enclosed is the Amendment, responsive to the October 9, 2003 Office Action, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,


James E. Howard

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Enclosure
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